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MEMORANDUM

TO: Potential Grant Applicants
FROM: Peter Sandbeck, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
RE: 2009 Historic Preservation Fund Pass-Through Grants

The State Historic Preservation Office (HPO) is now accepting applications for FY 2009 federal Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) pass-through grants. Eligible projects include architectural and archaeological surveys, nominations of eligible districts and properties to the National Register of Historic Places, survey publication manuscripts, local preservation design guidelines and preservation plans, educational programs, and restoration of National Register properties. Funds for restoration are extremely limited. Eligible applicants are local governments, local historic preservation commissions, nonprofit organizations, and educational institutions.

It is important for potential applicants to contact the HPO staff this fall to discuss their potential projects and the grant standards and requirements. HPO staff contacts are listed in the attached instructions.

An estimated total of \$70,000 to \$90,000 may be available for projects in Certified Local Government (CLG) municipalities and counties, in accordance with federal requirements. A list of CLGs is attached. Funds for non-CLG projects have not been available in recent years due to reductions in our federal allocation, but non-CLG funding prospects may be brighter in 2009, depending on Congressional action. Applicants are invited to submit non-CLG applications with the understanding that funds may not be available.

Grant awards usually range from \$1,500 to \$15,000 and may cover up to sixty per cent of total project costs. Local matching funds must cover at least forty per cent. Grant projects will be selected for funding on a competitive basis.

Applications must be received by the HPO by February 15, 2009. Applicants must submit the paper original and two paper copies. Applications sent by email or fax will not be accepted. Nonprofits and educational institutions submitting an application through a CLG must submit their proposed application to the CLG by January 15, 2008. See the Instructions for more details.

Awards will be announced in early April 2009. Projects should be underway by the summer of 2009. All projects must be completed by August 31, 2010.

GUIDELINES FOR CLG GRANT APPLICATIONS

- 1) CLG grant applications must be submitted by or through the CLG.
- 2) CLG governing boards and CLG historic preservation commissions submit their applications to the HPO.

NOTE:

Nonprofits and educational institutions may propose an application for a project in a CLG's jurisdiction, but must submit the proposed application to the CLG historic preservation commission which would then submit it to the HPO with comments. The CLG commission, not the nonprofit or educational institution, would be the CLG grant applicant. The nonprofit or educational institution must submit the proposed application to the CLG commission by **January 15, 2009**, to allow time for the commission and local governing board to evaluate it and submit it with comments to the HPO by the February 15, 2009, deadline. If a grant is awarded for the project, the CLG would be the grant recipient and would administer the grant project, even if the nonprofit or educational institution provides the local matching funds. A list of local CLG staff contacts is on the HPO web site at <http://www.hpo.ncdcr.gov/>.

GUIDELINES FOR PROJECTS IN NON-CLG AREAS (LOCALS GOVERNEMENTS THAT ARE NOT CLGS AND NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGNAZATIONS :

(Please note that due to limitations in federal funding, we have not been able to award grants for these projects in recent years. If you have a project in mind that may meet these criteria, we recommend that you speak with the appropriate HPO staff member)

- 1) Non-CLG grant applications may be submitted by local governments, not-for-profits, and educational institutions.
- 2) Local governing boards, historic preservation commissions, not-for-profits, and educational institutions submit their application to the HPO.
- 3) Nonprofits and educational institutions may submit their application directly to the HPO or propose an application and submit it through a local governing board or historic preservation commission which will be the applicant.

The enclosed application form and instructions are for both CLG and non-CLG applications.

If there are questions about the application process, please contact Michele Patterson McCabe, grants coordinator, at 919-807-6582. For assistance with developing a project proposal and budget, please contact an HPO staff member listed in the Instructions.

Enclosures

North Carolina's historic preservation program receives federal financial assistance for identification and preservation of historic properties. Under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the U.S. Department of the Interior prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, religion, age, or handicap in its federally assisted programs. If you believe you have been discriminated against in any program, activity, or facility, as described above, or if you desire further information, please write to: Office for Equal Opportunity, U.S. Department of the Interior, Washington, DC 20240.
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